GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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RAILWAY LAND ON LEASE
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have leased the Railway land to railway employees for farming purpose;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the zone-wise details works undertaken in this direction during the last three years and the current year;

(d) the rate of which the said land was leased;

(e) the reasons for leasing out the Railway land to railway employees only; and

(f) the reaction of the Railways thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS(DR. R.VELU)

(a): No, Sir. Railways have no such policy to allot Railway land on lease basis to Railway employees for farming purposes. However, there is a policy of licensing of railway land, not required for Railway`s own use in the immediate future, to Railway employees belonging to Group `C` and `D` in identified urban areas for cultivation under Grow More Food Scheme to prevent encroachment of its valuable land.

(b) to (f): Do not arise.